

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR OPTIMIZING
AUTHENTICATION IN A NETWORK ENVIRONMENT

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method for executing authentication in a network environment is provided that includes retrieving a group profile from an authentication, authorization, and
5 accounting (AAA) server in response to receiving a request from a first end user and locally caching the group profile. A service may be provided to the first end user based on information included within the group profile and associated with the first end user. A
10 request may be received from a second end user. It is then determined if the second end user is included within the group profile such that in cases where the second end user is included in the group profile the group profile can be locally cached in order to provide a service to
15 the second end user without having to communicate with the AAA server.